

# **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## **February 6, 2019**

TO: Parents or guardians of children enrolled at the following

school(s):

# **Sonoma Country Day School**

All residential and business neighbors located within 1,000 feet of the proposed new or modified source(s) of air pollution listed

below.

FROM: Bay Area Air Quality Management District

RE: Permit Application #29244 for the following source(s) of air

pollution:

Wipe Cleaning Operation using Isopropyl Alcohol Bio-Rad Laboratories 487 Aviation Blvd., Suite 100 Santa Rosa, CA 95403

The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (the "District") is a local agency that regulates stationary sources of air pollution such as factories, industrial sites, and gasoline stations.

Whenever we receive a permit application for a new or modified source(s) of toxic air contaminants located within 1,000 feet of a school site, State law requires that we notify the public. To comply with this requirement, we distribute or mail a Public Notice to the parents or guardians of students enrolled at schools located within ½ mile, and all residents and businesses located within 1,000 feet, of the proposed source(s).

You are receiving this Public Notice because a permit application has been filed with the District for the above referenced source(s) of air pollution. A description of the proposed project follows:

**Bio-Rad Laboratories** has applied for an Authority to Construct (AC) and/or a Permit to Operate (PO) a facility-wide wipe cleaning operation, that will use up to 350 gallons per year of isopropyl alcohol. Bio-Rad manufactures plastic products for use in hospitals, clinics, and laboratories. These products are manufactured through the plastic injection molding process, in which polymer pellets are heated and injected in to stainless steel molds where the molten plastic cools and solidifies into the final plastic product. Isopropyl alcohol (IPA)

is used to wipe clean the stainless-steel molds. The facility operates a metrology lab, where IPA is used to clean slides and microscopes.

#### PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

The District has evaluated the permit application for the proposed project and has made a preliminary determination that the project is expected to comply with all applicable District, state, and federal air quality-related regulations, including the health risks resulting from toxic air contaminant emissions. The preliminary recommendation is to issue a permit for this project. After considering all comments received, the District will make a final determination.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you are interested in getting more information, you may request copies of the District's evaluation report by calling the District at the telephone number listed at the end of this notice. This information is also accessible on the District website at:

http://www.baaqmd.gov/permits/public-notices

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

There is a 30-day period for public response to this proposal. If you wish to comment on the proposed project, you may do so in writing or by e-mail. Alternatively, you may call and leave a telephone message up to one minute in length. Please leave your name and telephone number so that a District staff member may respond to your message.

Please use the following contact information if you would like to comment on the proposed project:

Mailing address: Bio-Rad Laboratories (A/N #29244)

Public Notice Response

**BAAQMD** 

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The public comment period for this project ends on March 8, 2019.